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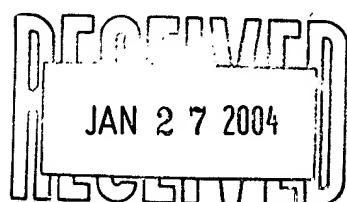
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U.S. Patent Documents

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,052,373 issued on 04/18/00 to Lau
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,699,349 issued on 12/16/97 to Russ et al.

Foreign Patent Documents

1. European Patent Application EP 0 994 591 A2 published 04/19/00
2. European Patent Application EP 0 570 882 A2 published 11/24/93
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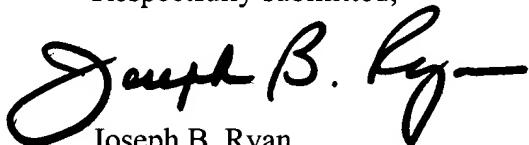
Other Documents

1. J.J. He et al., "A Novel Routing and Switching Strategy Based on Packet Flows in Optical IP Networks," WDM and Photonic Networks, pp. 70-77, 2000.

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